I have been a paying subscriber of XM Radio since December 2003. If I am working and don't feel like watching CNN, I turn on XM Radio for my news - or I read http://news.google.com. If I want local news and information then I pick up a copy of our town newspaper at our Chamber of Commerce. I have not noticed any adequate local news on any channel that seeks a broad geographic area, including so called "local" stations.

I urge you to reject NAB petition 04-160. Censorship of this service disrupts free enterprise and goes against our Constitution. If people choose to pay for satellite radio service, then people should NOT be limited by corporations that apparently have no other means by which to remain competitive in their markets.

Sincerely,

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